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## Man Charged with Fleeing Officers in Freeway Chase

A man was charged today with fleeing police officers in a car chase from Boyle Heights to Downey, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Nathan Maldonado (dob 7/21/99) faces one felony count of fleeing a pursuing peace officer's motor vehicle while driving recklessly, according to the complaint in case BA467887.

He pleaded not guilty this afternoon. A preliminary hearing setting is scheduled on May 21 in Department 31 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

According to prosecutors, Maldonado was allegedly driving a red Ford Mustang on May 4 when Los Angeles police officers attempted to pull him over in Boyle Heights. Maldonado allegedly fled, leading police on a chase on the 710 and 5 freeways before stopping in Downey where he was arrested.

The defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of six years in state prison if convicted as charged. Prosecutors are requesting bail be set at \$150,000.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.